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Staff at Wishing Well Health Centre will include medical, dental, physiotherapy and psychological professionals. The Tenth Line facility could eventually be home to 10 doctors.

Second walk-in facility planned for Ringwood Dr.

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patients, according to Ms Jethwani.

The dentist will be joined by three family doctors who will head up a walk-in clinic, which is to open at the end of the month.

The town's last walk-in facility, on Main Street, closed in mid-2012.

"We can't keep building massive hospitals," said Mayor Wayne Emmerson of ways to treat people in need of urgent care.

"It's always good news to have doctors come to our municipality," he said.

One of the walk-in doctors will also accept patients into her prac-

"At this rate, she's going to be pretty full, pretty quick," according to Ms Jethwani, who noted the plan is to eventually get eight to 10 family doctors practising out of the facility.

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A psychologist will also start accepting patients later this month.

Under the physiotherapy umbrella, services will include rehabilitation, chiropractic, chiropody and massage therapy. Those services are anticipated to be available April 1, according to Ms Jethwani.

All of the practitioners are new to Stouffville.

The health care facility is also expected to eventually include a pharmacy and x-ray lab.

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Another medical facility is expected to open later this year on Ringwood Drive. It is anticipated to provide a walk-in clinic, along with an urgent care pain centre, physiotherapy, chiropody, optometry, dentistry, ultrasound and x-ray along with a pharmacy.

"You can never have too many," Mr. Bartley said.

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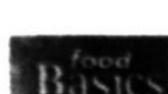




















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